



KNIGHTDALE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, North Carolina 27545

March 17, 2010

The Knightdale Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. at Knightdale Town Hall, 950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, NC.

PRESENT: Mayor Russell Killen; Mayor Pro Tem Mike Chalk; Councilors Jeff Eddins, Terry Gleason, Tim Poirier, and James Roberson.

ABSENT: No one.

Staff Members Present: Clyde Holt, Town Attorney; Gary McConkey, Town Manager; Seth Lawless, Assistant Town Manager; Suzanne Yeatts, Town Clerk/HR Director; Chris Hills, Planning Director; Fred Boone, Town Engineer; Tina Cheek, Parks and Recreation Director; Shawn Brown, Public Safety Director; Jimmy Overton, Finance Director; Tracy Pedigo, Public Works Director.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Killen at 7:05 p.m.

WELCOME

Welcome by Mayor Killen.

INVOCATION

Invocation by Councilor Gleason.

ITEM I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**...Motion by Councilor Eddins to adopt the agenda.
Motion seconded by Councilor Gleason and carried
unanimously.**

ITEM II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 17, 2010

March 1, 2010

...Motion by Councilor Gleason to approve the minutes of February 17, 2010 and March 1, 2010. Motion seconded by Councilor Eddins and carried unanimously.

ITEM III. PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, AWARDS

Councilor Roberson noted residents should receive Census forms in the near future and encouraged participation to ensure proper funding for Knightdale.

Knightdale Park Presentation

Christine Hilt of CLH Design presented plans for the proposed park and answered questions from Council.

Council discussed including additional multi-purpose fields and tennis courts; asking for Public Safety input; screening or relocating the dog park.

Billy Wilder commended CLH Design on analyzing the property and suggested planning for additional fields in the future that may not need to be as large as the ones in the current proposal. Mr. Wilder also noted the Town could use the space to host future town wide events.

Brett Zick, Chairman of the Land Use Review Board, spoke in favor of the park and suggested relocating the dog park closer to Massey Farm Road and adding more of a buffer for the future camp ground.

ITEM IV. PUBLIC

Anyone may speak on an issue not included on tonight's agenda. Before speaking, please state your name and address.

A. Open to the Public

No one approached.

B. Report on Citizen Inquiries

None at this time.

ITEM V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Budget Amendment – Various Items
BA #1009

Adopt Budget Amendment #1009 to appropriate additional revenues from solid waste tax and insurance proceeds for vehicle repairs and maintenance in addition to reclassifying various expenditures resulting in a \$3,600 increase in budget.

B. Salary Study Implementation

Adopt the revised Pay & Classification System as presented and approve implementation of salary study results effective June 30, 2010.

...Motion by Councilor Poirier to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Councilor Eddins and carried unanimously.

ITEM VI. ACTIONS REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS

When speaking during a public hearing, please state your name and address clearly before speaking. Please designate a spokesperson for large groups. If you anticipate speaking tonight, please print your name and address on the form located on the entry table. If the Mayor announces that the hearing is a quasi-judicial public hearing, all speakers must be administered an oath by the Town Attorney. Everyone must speak from the podium to assure an accurate record of testimony.

None at this time.

ITEM VII. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

None at this time.

ITEM VIII. TOWN ATTORNEY

Nothing at this time.

ITEM IX. OLD BUSINESS

Red Light Camera Relocation

Public Safety Director Shawn Brown requested installation of an additional red light camera and relocation of an existing one to better address violations at the Town's busiest intersections.

Assistant Town Manager Seth Lawless noted there is no cost associated with the request.

...Motion by Councilor Eddins to approve relocating red light camera from the intersection of Knightdale Boulevard and Maplewood Drive to Knightdale Boulevard and Widewaters addressing eastbound traffic and the installation of a new red light camera at the intersection of Knightdale Boulevard and Widewaters addressing westbound traffic. Motion seconded by Councilor Roberson and carried unanimously.

ITEM X. NEW BUSINESS

Poplar Creek Sewer Easements

Town Attorney Clyde Holt presented the proposed temporary and permanent sewer easements requested by the City of Raleigh.

Town Engineer Fred Boone provided maps of the property in question and noted the gravel road at the well site would be improved as part of the easement agreement.

...Motion by Councilor Poirier to approve and accept the proposal for temporary and permanent deeds of easement. Motion seconded by Councilor Roberson and carried unanimously.

ITEM XI. OTHER BUSINESS

Council discussed the proposed Knightdale Park and requested a plan revision to include an additional multi-purpose field.

ITEM XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning and Engineering

Councilor Gleason reported recent discussions regarding parking issues in the Widewaters subdivision.

B. Budget

Mayor Pro Tem Chalk updated Council on the committee's review of fee schedule changes, funding other agencies, and water and sewer information.

C. Public Safety
No report.

D. Nominating
No report.

E. Liaison Reports
No report.

ITEM XIII. CLOSED SESSION FOR LEGAL OR PERSONNEL MATTERS

...Motion by Councilor Eddins to enter closed session at 8:03 p.m. to discuss pending litigation. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chalk and carried unanimously.

Resumed open session at 8:19 p.m.

Councilor Gleason mentioned the upcoming NCDOT workshop about the proposed Fayetteville Street closing will be held April 6, 2010 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at town hall and Mayor Killen encouraged everyone to attend.

Council discussion regarding required improvements to First Avenue and Smithfield Road in exchange for the closing.

Mayor Killen suggested inviting Representative Darren Jackson and Senator Dan Blue to attend the workshop to hear citizen concerns.

Mayor Pro Tem Chalk directed staff to research the number of trains crossing within the last year as well as the number of wrecks at the Fayetteville Road crossing.

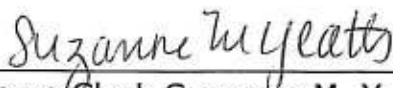
Assistant Town Manager Seth Lawless mentioned the memo included in the agenda packets regarding incorporation of EWTN as a nonprofit organization.

ITEM XIV. ADJOURNMENT

...Motion by Councilor Eddins to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilor Poirier and carried unanimously.



Mayor Russell B. Killen



Town Clerk Suzanne M. Yeatts